

I am writing to support HB55580 "AN ACT CONCERNING THE PESTICIDE ADVISORY COUNCIL, THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES PRIMARY SERVICE AREA TASK FORCE AND THE ELIMINATION OF A MUNICIPAL MANDATE".

HB5580 includes all 5 recommendations of the Emergency Medical Services Primary Services Area Task Force. While all of these recommendations will improve delivery of EMS in Connecticut, it is Recommendation #5, The Alternative Provision of PSA Responsibilities, that would allow municipalities to make a change to their state designated EMS provider in the event that the municipality has a plan to improve Improved patient care, create a more efficient allocation of resources, regionalize, or to align with a new EMS provider better suited to meet the community's current needs.

The current PSA system removes the right of a municipality to consider regional or other cooperative options for the delivery of EMS in their community that can enhance the service in a community or allow for it to be provided more efficiently. Recommendation #5 creates an avenue for municipalities to consider those options.

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